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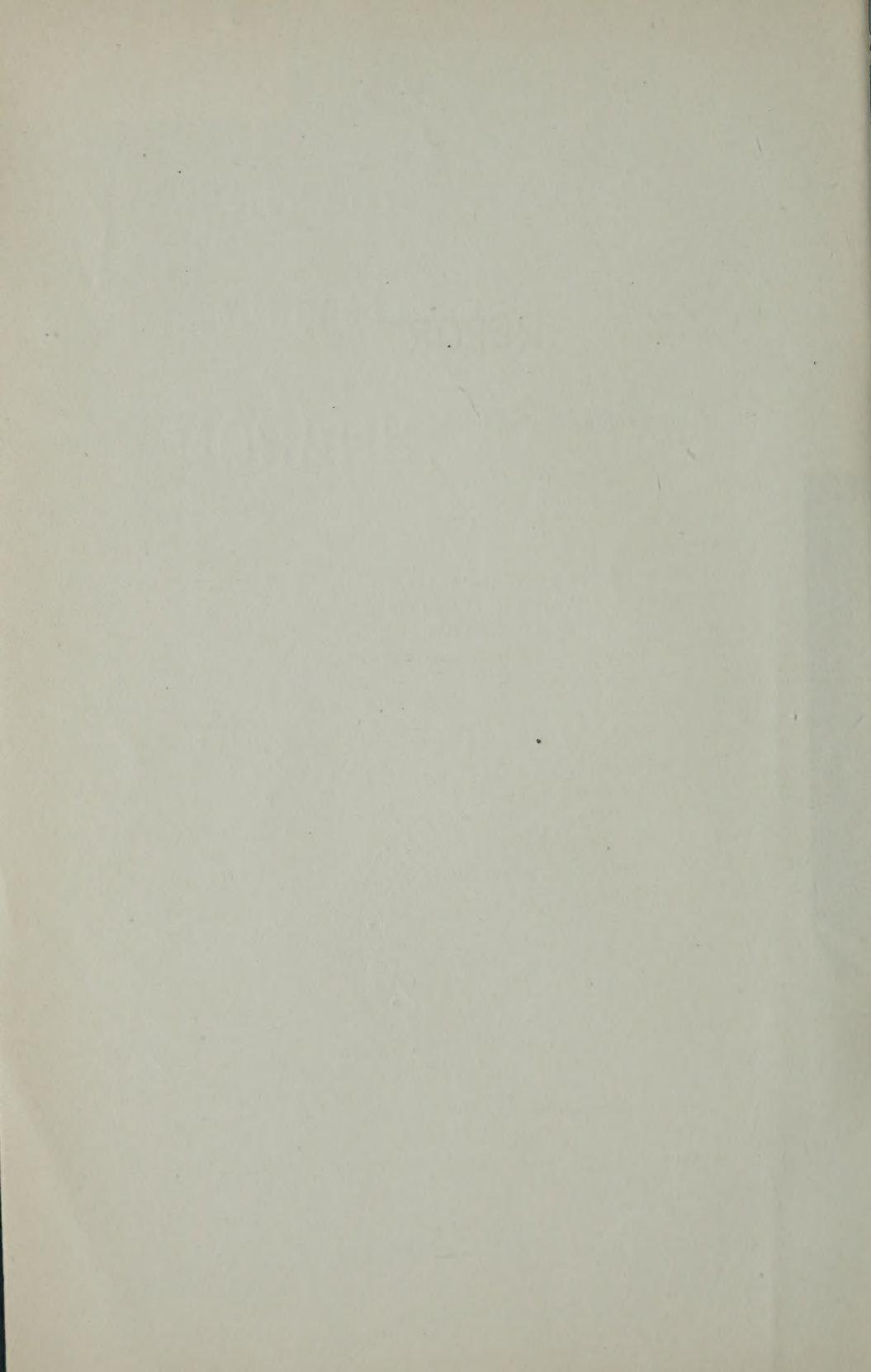


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REPORT.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1892.

For Support of town's poor,	\$1,200 00
" town officers,	900 00
" support of schools,	3,700 00
" superintendent of schools,	200 00
" text-books, supplies, &c.,	750 00
" repairs and incidentals,	300 00
" interest,	500 00
" highways, town-ways and bridges,	2,500 00
" decorating soldiers' graves,	50 00
" water supply,	1,240 00
" hose, fire dep't,	300 00
" fire department,	325 00
" water for hose house (Ames St.)	16 50
" new school building,	1,000 00
" Viaduct and Tiot St. repairs,	600 00
" Massapoag and Morse St. repairs,	314 00
" care of town clock,	25 00
" town seal,	50 00
" sidewalks,	250 00
" state tax,	962 50
" county tax,	1,176 65
" overlayings,	86 76

\$16,446 41

Deduct corporation tax, 1892,

1,200 00

Amount to raise by tax, 1892,

\$15,246 41

VALUATION OF THE TOWN.

REAL ESTATE :

Buildings excluding land,	\$614,232 00	
Land excluding buildings,	491,697 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,105,929 00
Personal Estate,	\$206,472 00	\$206,472 00
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		\$1,312,401 00

NUMBER OF RESIDENTS ASSESSED ON PROPERTY :

Individuals,	338	
All Others,	7	
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Non-residents, individuals,	216	
All Others,	13	
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Number assessed on property,		574
Poll tax only,		175
No. of polls, male, 405, at \$2.00 each,	\$810 00	
Tax on Real Estate,	12,165 22	
“ “ Personal Estate,	2,271 19	
	<hr/>	\$15,246 41

Rate \$11.00 on \$1,000.00.

No. of Horses,	282
“ Cows,	323
“ neat Cattle other than cows,	92
“ Swine,	44
“ Sheep,	10
“ Dwelling Houses,	378
“ Fowls,	3,175

ASSETS.

Property of the town not considered available for transfer in paying debts :

Almshouse establishment, (land and buildings),	\$3,500 00
Inventory at Almshouse,	1,120 55
Center School-house and land,	12,000 00
East " " "	1,650 00
West " " "	2,000 00
North " " "	950 00
South " " "	900 00
School property and text-books,	600 00
Public Library,	2,000 00
School Trust Funds,	4,910 00
Road Tools,	80 00
Hay Scales,	200 00
Hearse,	400 00
Town House, (land and buildings),	12,800 00
Hose Houses,	1,800 00
Fire Apparatus,	1,600 00
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	\$46,510 55

ORDERS DRAWN ON TOWN TREASURER FOR STATE
AID, PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING

DEC. 31, 1892.

(Re-imbursed by the State.)

Paid Bullard, Ursula M.	\$48 00
" Capen, Emily F.	48 00
" Cooke, George S.	27 00
" Drake, Alice M.	48 00
" Fairbanks, Eliza C.	48 00
" Ford, Daniel W.	15 00
" Ford, Louisa S.	12 00
" Godfrey, John W.	48 00

Paid Hardy, Emeline	48 00
" Johnson, H. Rebecca	48 00
" Johnson, Ellen B.	48 00
" O'Neill, Margaret,	48 00
" Peach, Emily	48 00
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	\$534 00

MILITARY AID.

(One-half of the Military Aid is re-imbursed by the State.)

Paid Nathan R. Fuller,	\$ 6 00
" Reuben F. Johnson,	48 00
" Ansel A. Smith,	72 00
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	\$126 00

HIGHWAYS.

TOOLS, LUMBER, &c,

Paid Benjamin Gannett, chestnut plank and railing,	\$ 4 07
" Abijah Tisdale, posts, rails, labor, etc.,	22 50
" E. P. Clapp, lumber for railing,	3 91
" Long Brothers, goods,	50
" D. Webster Pettee, tools, etc.,	21 71
" " " drain pipe,	66 92
" William P. Malley, repairs on tools,	22 95
" Otis Tolman, setting stone road bounds,	3 00
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	\$145 56

HIGHWAYS.

Paid Warren Johnson, (Superintendent)	\$292 70
" John O'Leary, labor self, men and team,	141 75
" Abijah Tisdale, " " " "	82 75
" Esrom Morse, " " " "	127 10
" George Richards " " " "	49 80
" James B. Clapp, " " " "	91 73

Paid Charles M. Smith, labor self and team,	31	35
“ Stilman Dunakin, “ “ “	288	47
“ C. Elbert Howard, “ “ “	72	22
“ John S. Genter, “ “ “	39	53
“ Edwin P. Davis, “ “ “	168	28
“ Ambrose B. Peach, “ “ “	92	53
“ John J. O’Leary, “ “ “	59	25
“ Lewis O’Leary, “ “ “	31	50
“ Fred H. Baker, “ “ “	97	25
“ Charles F. White “ men and team,	11	50
“ Timothy O’Leary, “ “ “	135	30
“ Jeremiah O’Leary, “ “ “	157	22
“ Benjamin Gannett, “ “ “	7	50
“ George O’Leary, “ “ “	23	55
“ William H. Agrey “ “ “	27	89
“ John W. Godfrey, team,	10	50
“ A. Frank Johnson, labor,	44	02
“ Daniel McNair “	39	83
“ Harry S. Peach, “	6	00
“ Peter Fermberg, “	58	65
“ Julius Jensen, “	79	48
“ Herbert O. Wentworth, labor,	34	50
“ James O’Leary, “	15	00
“ Daniel Flannegan, “	23	85
“ Thomas O’Leary, “	6	00
“ Jense Jorgensen, “	12	15
“ John B. Hartig, “	15	75
“ Daniel Kane, “	25	50
“ J. Ernest Drake, “	18	00
“ Charles A. Dunakin, “	57	82
“ Antone Neilson, “	12	00
“ John Doyle, “	15	00
“ James Clowes, “	32	25
“ Andres Johnson, “	24	87
“ Otis Tolman, “	4	35
“ Samuel N. Snow, “	9	00

Paid Mrs. M. F. Washburn, gravel,	12 90
“ Warren Cobb, “	5 00
“ Benjamin Gannett, “	11 85
“ William D. Glover, labor,	10 50
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	\$2,613 94

REBUILDING VIADUCT STREET.

Paid Warren Johnson, (supt.)	\$20 00
“ Edward J. Fuller, labor, self, men and team,	134 93
“ Edward G. Cobb, “ “ “ “	115 30
“ Lewis O’Leary, “ self and team,	25 05
“ F. P. Eberle, “ “ “	34 05
“ Horace F. Drake, “ “ “	30 53
“ John S. Genter, “ “ “	42 07
“ Jeremiah O’Leary, “ men and team,	36 57
“ John O’Leary, “ “ “	29 10
“ Timothy O’Leary, “ “ “	29 07
“ Daniel Kane, labor,	15 53
“ Patrick H. Jones, labor,	11 03
“ Neill McLean, “	14 03
“ Thomas McNair, “	10 50
“ John McNair, “	12 53
“ Stilman Dunakin, “	14 00
“ Charles A. Dunakin, labor,	17 03
“ Edwin P. Davis, “	15 00
“ A. Burnside Peach, “	17 03
“ Edward Genter, “	14 03
“ Julius Jensen, “	6 00
“ Andres Jensen, “	15 53
“ Daniel Flannegan, “	1 50
“ Frank Walton, “	20 03
“ J. Ernest Drake, “	17 03
“ Jense Jorgensen, “	6 53
“ James Clowes, “	13 28
“ Otis Tolman, “	9 00
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	\$726 28

EXTRA REPAIRS ON MASSAPOAG AND MORSE STREETS.

Paid F. P. Eberle, labor, self and team,	\$42 00
“ John S. Genter, “ “ “	63 25
“ J. Ernest Drake, “ “ “	18 00
“ Horace F. Drake, “ “ “	21 00
“ Lewis W. Morse, “ man and team,	45 00
“ Stilman Dunakin, “ and team,	45 00
“ Charles A. Dunakin, labor,	19 50
“ Edwin P. Davis, “	21 25
“ A. Burnside Peach, “	21 00
“ Edward Genter, “	21 00
“ Julius Jensen, “	21 00
“ Andres Jensen, “	21 00
“ Daniel Flannegan, “	16 50
“ Frank Walton, “	19 00
“ John Doyle, “	21 00
“ J. B. Hartig, “	4 50
“ James Clowes, “	18 00
“ Jense Jorgensen, “	16 50
“ Edward G. Cobb, Jr., “	6 00
“ Daniel Kane, “	4 50
“ Samuel N. Snow, “	8 00
“ Warren Johnson, (supt.)	28 00
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	\$501 00
“ Henry C. Richards, award for wall,	\$67 00
“ Lewis W. Morse, “ “ “	66 00
“ “ “ “ posts, bridge stone, &c.,	21 29
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	\$154 29

SNOW BILLS.

Paid Timothy O'Leary,	\$30 00
“ John O'Leary,	38 25
“ Dan Danielson,	1 50

Paid Thomas Collins,	2 70
“ John Gibbens, Jr.,	2 70
“ Thomas J. Barrett,	2 70
“ Daniel Flannegan,	2 70
“ A. Alden Carpenter,	4 00
“ Peter Fernberg,	11 85
“ A. Frank Johnson,	3 50
“ Charles M. Smith,	12 00
“ George Richards,	10 75
“ George E. Bird,	1 05
“ Warren Johnson,	11 98
“ William D. Glover,	5 32
“ B. Frank Rhoades,	3 00
“ Samuel N. Snow,	2 40
“ Esrom Morse,	15 45
“ C. Elbert Howard,	10 65
“ Benjamin Gannett,	4 75
“ Fred H. Baker,	3 00
“ Fred A. White,	5 40
“ Jesse C. Hambly,	3 81
“ William Tamblin,	3 60
“ Edgar F. Drake,	1 80
“ J. J. Shaw,	4 50
“ Edward J. Fuller,	4 95
“ H. Frank Leonard,	9 00
“ H. Frank Leonard, sidewalks,	11 25

\$224 56

SIDEWALKS. [$\frac{1}{2}$ Cost.]

Paid Edward C. Boyden, on new street,	\$37 20
“ John O'Leary, Main Street, 1891,	4 50
“ Mary C. Vinton, Pleasant Street,	10 00
“ Stilman Dunakin, Massapoag Street,	37 50
“ Sharon Improvement & Literary Association, Main, Pond and Billings Streets,	26 87
“ L. M. Brady, Main Street,	10 00

\$126 07

STREET SIGNS.

Paid Silas A. Stone, labor and team,	\$12 00
“ Benjamin Gannett, “ “ “	11 25
“ Esrom Morse, surveying streets and plans of same,	10 00
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	\$33 25

FIRE DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

Paid D. Webster Pettee, supplies,	\$41 45
“ Charles F. Richards, horse hire,	4 00
“ Charles S. Harper, hose straps,	2 00
“ William P. Malley, labor and stock,	10 75
“ Walter Roach, labor and stock on hose carriage,	2 50
“ Rhode Island Coupling Co., 500 feet hose,	300 00
“ “ “ “ “ rubber washers,	1 15
“ “ “ “ “ repairing hose,	14 00
“ J. Hinman, 1 doz. extinguisher charges,	8 00
“ Long Bros., supplies,	86
“ Otis Tolman, clearing snow from hydrants,	1 50
“ Otis E. Harwood, janitor of hose house,	11 00
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	\$397 21

PAY OF MEMBERS OF FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Paid Patrick H. Jones, Hose No. 2,	\$13 00
“ Daniel McNair, “ “	2 00
“ James O’Leary, “ “	3 67
“ O. Frank Beale, “ “	7 25
“ Cornelius O’Leary, “ “	7 67
“ William McLean, “ “	5 75
“ Allen Stone, “ “	5 50
“ Albert E. Godfrey, “ “	8 75
“ George H. Mann, clerk of engineers, pay of fire-	
men,	237 54
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	\$291 13

HOSE HOUSE, AMES STREET.

Paid Sharon Water Co., putting water in hose house,	\$16 00
" H. G. Burrell, stove funnel, &c..	16 57
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	\$32 57

SHARON WATER CO.

Paid Sharon Water Co. one year's supply for hydrants,	\$1200 00
" " " " " drinking fountains	40 00
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	\$1,240 00

TOWN HOUSE EXPENSES.

Paid John W. Godfrey, janitor, one year's salary,	\$85 02
" Climax Gasoline Co., gasoline,	10 60
" Walworth Manufacturing Co.,	46 78
" William P. Malley, labor and stock,	1 75
" Long Bros., supplies	3 09
" George H. Hixon, supplies	1 58
" H. Frank Leonard, coal,	69 00
" C. S. Brown, pipe for furnaces	40 40
" Charles A. Dunakin, labor on grounds	5 25
" Edwin P. Davis, carting gravel	3 00
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	\$266 47
Credit for use of Hall,	77 00
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	\$189 47

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE.

Paid H. C. Witt, builder, payments on contract,	\$2,764 91
" Barstow Stove Co., heating and ventilating,	1,007 60
" " " cold air room,	150 00
" Timothy O'Leary, for grading around building,	186 01
" Sharon Water Co., putting water in building,	17 62

Paid H. G. Burrell, stock and labor,	31 97
“ J. Williams Beal, architect,	317 50
“ D. Webster Pettee, mdse.,	32 99
“ H. A. Tamblyn, buildings on schoolhouse grounds,	210 64
“ Timothy O’Leary, labor on cellar,	112 35
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	\$4,831 59

CONSTABLES AND POLICE.

Paid James B. Clapp, services from March, 1891, to March, 1892,	\$7 50
“ Hovey Rand, special police, 3d, 4th and 5th of July, 1892,	5 00
“ Walter H. Delano, special police, 3d, 4th and 5th of July, 1892,	5 00
“ Jeremiah O’Leary, special police, 3d, 4th and 5th of July, 1892,	5 00
“ Charles S. Curtis, Sunday services,	92 00
“ “ “ “ Bay St. liquor case,	13 00
“ “ “ “ 3d, 4th and 5th of July,	5 00
“ “ “ “ services after dog licenses,	15 00
“ “ “ “ “ one year,	35 00
“ Warren Johnson, Sunday services,	126 00
“ “ “ “ 3d, 4th and 5th of July,	5 00
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	\$313 50

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES.

Paid E. B. Thorndike & Co., printing town reports,	\$172 80
“ “ “ “ “ “ warrants,	6 00
“ “ “ “ “ “ extra school reports,	1 50

" E. B. Thorndike & Co., printing ballots for annual town meeting,	25 00
" E. B. Thorndike & Co., advertising Board of Health notices,	8 00
" E. B. Thorndike & Co., advertising town warrant,	2 00
" Alden & Barron, advertising Board of Health notices,	17 33
" John W. Godfrey, printing State aid receipts,	1 50
" " " " " town receipts,	1 75
" " " " " blanks for town officers,	6 00
" " " " " blank certs. of marriages,	2 50
" " " " " selectmen notices,	1 00
" " " " " furnishing 14 meals for election officers Nov. 8, 1892,	5 25
" George H. Hixon, cash paid for incidentals,	20 58
" George Richards, 15 burial permits,	3 75
" constable badge,	1 00
" fixing gasoline pipe at Town House,	1 00
" Elmer E. Farnham, labor and stock at drinking fountain,	8 76
" Elmer E. Farnham, labor and stock watering trough, Depot St.,	12 91
" Timothy O'Leary, labor of men and team at drinking fountain,	9 48
" Edwin P. Davis, labor at watering trough, Depot St.,	1 50
" George H. Whittemore, cash paid for incidentals,	5 20
" Fred C. Clarke, town seal, press, wood cut, &c.,	35 00
" Joseph E. Johnson, care of town clock one year,	25 00
" Silas A. Stone, cash paid for recording petition to County Commissioners,	3 00
" Charles F. Bryant, treas. of G.A.R., money voted for Decoration Day,	50 00
" George H. Whittemore, postage and express,	1 90
" " " " return of births,	1 50

\$431 21

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid Dexter Packard, services as collector, taxes of 1889,	\$113 89
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 1890,	136 70
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ 1891,	95 06
“ George H. Hixon, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of Poor,	275 00
“ Benjamin Gannett, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of Poor,	176 00
“ Silas A. Stone, services as Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer of Poor,	174 00
“ Joel P. Hewins, services as Town Treasurer,	150 00
“ “ “ “ “ “ “ Clerk,	30 00
“ “ “ “ “ “ Clerk of Registrars,	10 00
“ “ “ “ count of votes, Dist. No. 7,	5 00
“ “ “ “ for postage, stationery, express, &c.,	6 70
“ “ “ “ “ recording births,	9 50
“ “ “ “ “ “ marriages,	2 10
“ “ “ “ “ “ deaths,	5 80
“ “ “ “ paid for repairing ballot box,	3 50
“ George H. Whittemore, services as Town Clerk on account 1892,	15 00
“ George H. Whittemore, services as Registrar of Voters,	8 00
“ Frank H. Frye, services as Registrar of Voters,	8 00
“ Fred H. Baker, Ballot Clerk, March, 1892,	5 00
“ Alvin D. Packard, “ “ March, 1892, and Nov., 1892,	10 00
“ Alfred W. Curtis, Deputy Inspector, Nov., 1892,	2 00
“ William R. Snow, “ “ “ “	2 00
“ H. F. Pollard, teller, March, 1892,	3 00
“ Sanford W. Billings, teller, Nov. 8, 1892,	5 00
“ George H. Hixon, Sealer of Weights and Measures,	10 00
“ Elmer E. Naramore, auditor,	3 00

 \$1,264 25

REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF POOR FOR THE YEAR
ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

ALMSHOUSE PAYMENTS.

Paid George E. Keith, Warden, Oct., Nov. and Dec., 1891,	\$43 75
“ George E. Keith, Warden, Jan., Feb. and March, 1892,	43 75
“ Dexter Packard, 2 pigs,	4 00
“ Blood & Stowell, grain,	42 23
“ Geo. F. Gay Estate, supplies,	26 31
“ Long Bros., supplies,	18 26
“ D. Webster Pettee, supplies,	4 85
“ George H. Hixon, “	6 42
“ George Richards, killing hogs,	4 00
“ William P. Malley, labor and stock,	22 06
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	\$215 63
CR. Produce sold,	\$42 92
Boarding and lodging 169 persons,	33 80
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	\$76 72
Net cost at Almshouse, 3 months,	\$138 91
Included in the above account is three months' salary of 1891.	

GEORGE O. NASON, WARDEN, APRIL 1, 1892.

Paid Geo. O. Nason, Warden,	\$50 00
“ Benjamin Gannett, plank,	1 75
“ Blood & Stowell, grain,	121 45
“ Geo. H. Hixon, supplies,	12 20
“ Benjamin Gannett, hay,	7 16
“ H. Frank Leonard, coal,	3 13
“ William P. Malley, labor and stock,	2 25
“ John Smithwick, professional services,	28 66

Paid Eugene K. Carpenter, repairing harness,	1 75
“ “ “ “ new bridle,	3 00
“ Silas A. Stone, harness,	22 00
“ “ “ “ stove,	9 00
“ William P. Tamblyn, difference between cows,	25 00
“ A. M. Bowden, cow,	25 00
“ George H. Prescott, horse,	150 00
“ George W. Harvey, veterinary services on horse,	21 00
“ Silas A. Stone, cash paid for getting horse from Boston,	2 00
“ George O. Nason, geese,	6 00
“ George A. Rollins, carriage hire,	1 50
“ Long Bros., supplies,	79 12
“ D. W. Pettee, “	35 98
Geo. O. Nason, salary due,	81 25
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	\$689 20

CREDITS.

Produce sold from farm,	\$202 43
Boarding and lodging 213 persons,	42 60
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	\$245 03
Net cost of Poor in Almshouse 9 months,	\$444 17
Mrs. Helen Smith, sick 15 days.	
Duncan Campbell, “ 61 “	
William A. Brown, helpless 7 months.	

ACCOUNT WITH WARDEN.

Cash paid by Warden for sundries, as per book,	\$59 29
“ “ “ “ “ store bills,	50 81
Produce sold to stores,	64 29
Cash in hands of Warden,	28 04
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	\$202 43

Mr. Nason carried some 4 cords of light wood to Mrs. J. D. Tal-

bot, last season. He has also cut and delivered about 100 chestnut posts; some have been sold, but most of them have gone to the new streets for fencing.

As will be seen by our report of the Almshouse, we have tried to give the different wardens the just value of their services. Of course, the last three months of Geo. E. Keith's stay are the worst three months in the whole year to have much to sell. Mr. Nason, the present warden, has, in our opinion, done well with what he had to do with. When he came, there were four poor cows on the farm and the supply of milk was light; now, there are four good cows and it appears as though they would be able to make a good showing for next season. Mr. Nason has been able to raise and sell quite a fair amount of produce, as the account shows. He has had a busy time in caring for the sick inmates, who have been brought there since he came. First, was Mrs. Helen Smith, who was there but a short time, but was quite a care until she died. Next came Duncan Campbell, and the last few weeks that he lived was a very great care. Lastly, came William A. Brown, who has been very unfortunate, and is quite helpless. In respect to the expenditures as shown in the book, it will be seen that there is more than \$250 worth that should not be charged to the running expenses, the inventory at the farm Jan., 1893, showing over \$350.00 more than Jan., 1892, namely: horse, cows, hay, potatoes, &c., and hearse harness. Everything is in fine condition, and the warden and overseers would be pleased to have every taxpayer and all others interested call at the farm and inspect for themselves.

ASSISTANCE TO PERSONS OUT OF ALMSHOUSE.

Duncan Campbell:—

Long Bros., supplies,	\$21 46
Withington & Lowe, casket, etc.,	18 00
H. Frank Leonard, coal,	10 95
Frank H. Frye, agent, house rent,	18 00
Stilman Dunakin, digging grave,	3 00
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\$71 41

William A. Brown :—

Aid furnished by the town of Ashland, \$52 50

Mrs. Alzada Fuller :—

Town of Foxboro, medical attendance, \$38 00

G. W. Crane, " " 42 00

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\$80 00

John Maguire :—

Mrs. Grace Harld, board and nursing, \$4 00

Silas A. Stone, medicine, 80

—————
\$4 80

Willard T. Wilbur :—

W. C. Crocker, medical attendance on
daughter, June, 1891, \$19 50

Elbridge A. Fuller :—

Town of Attleboro, aid rendered, 1891, \$80 00

POOR IN STATE INSTITUTIONS.

Taunton Lunatic Hospital, E. W. D.

Johnson, \$169 92

Danvers Lunatic Hospital, Isabella R.

Estey, 169 92

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\$339 84

Walter Johnson :—

George Richards, digging grave, \$3 00

Mrs. Helen Smith :—

Withington & Lowe, casket and box, \$30 00

D. Webster Pettee, supplies, 39

George Richards, digging grave, 3 00

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\$33 39

CREDIT.

Received from J. A. Clowes, for rent of house, \$15 00*

In the case of Mrs. Smith, she was taken sick in her own house and as she had no relatives to care for her, the Overseers carried her over to the Almshouse. She owned a small place on Shaw Court, which she deeded to the town of Sharon. The town now has it in their possession. She owed some bills when she died, and the Overseers think the place should be sold if a fair price could be obtained, and those bills that she legally owed should, in justice, be paid from the proceeds of the sale.

Mrs. J. D. Talbot :—

H. A. Lothrop Man'f'g Co., house rent,	\$60 00	
George F. Gay Estate, goods,	3 38	
Silas A. Stone, stove,	3 00	
H. Frank Leonard, coal,	13 26	
	<hr/>	\$79 64

Mrs. William McLean :—

H. A. Lothrop Man'f'g Co., house rent,	\$2 50	
Long Bros., goods,	16 80	
Jeremiah O'Leary, coal and wood,	12 00	
H. Frank Leonard, coal,	3 13	
	<hr/>	\$34 43

Mrs. Martin Conley :—

Charles T. Derry, house rent,	\$60 00
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Nathan R. Lothrop :—

H. Frank Leonard, coal,	\$13 75	
George H. Hixon, supplies,	6 00	
Lewis W. Morse, wood,	2 75	
	<hr/>	\$22 50

LIABILITIES OF THE TOWN OF SHARON JAN. 1, 1893.

Trustees of Sharon Friends' School Fund,	\$2,360 00
“ “ Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund,	2,550 00
“ “ Sharon Public Library, bequest of Russell Drake,	300 00

Trustees of Sharon Public Library, bequest of Eliza G.

Perkins,	500 00
Notes due to Emeline Hardy,	500 00
“ “ Ester L. Leonard,	120 00
“ “ John Welch,	280 00
“ “ Aimee Howard,	400 00
“ “ George F. Howard Estate,	400 00
“ “ M. J. Tolman,	100 00
“ “ Mary J. Welch,	900 00
“ “ Canton Institution for Savings,	14,500 00
Due Town Officers,	900 00
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	\$23,810 00

AVAILABLE ASSETS JAN. 1, 1893.

Cash in treasury,	\$7,339 30
Due for State and Military Aid payments,	597 00
Uncollected tax of 1891,	34 90
“ “ “ 1892,	6,207 75
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	\$14,178 95

The Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor beg leave to make the above report for the year ending Dec. 31, 1892.

As will be seen by the report, the Town Debt is about \$9,700, about \$1,000.00 larger than last year. We have paid \$2,600.00 in 1891; \$4,831.59 in 1892; schoolhouse bills: and as we have assessed only \$1,000.00 as yet, you can see where most of our debt is located. Aside from our schoolhouse the debt is small.

We shall have to appropriate money this spring to paint the Town House and hose houses.

There will be quite a large appropriation called for to finish Viaduct and Tiot Streets, which we were ordered to finish this year.

GEORGE H. HIXON,
BENJAMIN GANNETT,
SILAS A. STONE,

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor.

SHARON, Jan. 31, 1893.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHARON FRIENDS'
SCHOOL FUND.

The amount of the Fund is \$2,360.00, and the Trustees hold a note of the Town Treasurer for that amount. The interest for the year ending Dec. 31, 1892, (\$141.60) has been received and paid to the Town Treasurer for the support of schools.

D. W. PETTEE,
For the Trustees.

SHARON, Jan. 21, 1893.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE DORCHESTER
AND SURPLUS REVENUE FUND.

Amount of Fund in our hands, \$2,550.00, in a town note at 6 per cent. Received as interest on the above up to Jan. 1, 1893, (\$153.00) and paid to Town Treasurer.

GEO. H. HIXON, Chairman Selectmen,
For the Trustees.

SHARON, Jan. 21, 1893.

LIST OF JURORS DRAWN DURING 1892-3.

1892.

March 18.	John Moyle,	Grand Juryman, Norfolk Sup. Ct.
" 22.	E. Gilmore Richards,	Traverse " " " "
April 16.	James B. Clapp,	" " " " "
August 26.	Boardman H. Miller,	" " " " "
Sept. 17.	Charles S. Harper,	" " " " "
Nov. 29.	George S. Cooke,	" " " " "
" "	C. Elbert Howard,	Grand Juryman, U. S. Ct.
" "	Charles F. White,	" " " "
" "	Oliver H. Derry,	Traverse " " "
" "	Edgar M. Hixson,	" " " "
Dec. 19.	Charles M. Smith,	" " Nor. Sup Ct.

1893.

Feb'y 6.	Elbridge G. Harwood,	" " " Supreme Ct.
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REPORT
OF THE
TREASURER OF SHARON,
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

DR.

To balance in the Treasury,	\$8,642 28
Received on Tax and remittance of 1891,	5,423 43
“ “ “ 1892,	9,064 16
“ Interest from Sharon Friends' School Fund,	141 60
“ “ “ Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund,	153 00
“ from State School Fund,	156 36
“ balance Corporation Tax of 1891,	56 58
“ Fines from District Court,	119 51
“ from account of joint School Committee,	183 83
“ Proceeds of Town Farm,	12 42
“ pedlers' licenses,	6 00
“ balance of dog licenses for 1891,	309 00
“ fines of Public Library,	35 00
“ use of Town Hall,	77 00
“ “ “ hay scales,	9 08
“ insurance dividends,	9 20
“ rent of the Ella Smith house,	15 00
“ auction license,	4 00
“ borrowed money,	14,500 00
“ Corporation Tax,	2,101 47
“ National Bank Tax,	390 31

Received Military Aid,	87 00
“ State Aid,	624 75
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	\$42,120 98

CR.

Paid on Selectmen's orders,	\$15,799 65
“ “ School Committee bills,	5,662 97
“ “ Public Library “	364 80
“ interest on Sharon Friends' School Fund,	141 60
“ “ “ Dorchester and Surplus Revenue Fund,	153 00
“ “ “ other notes,	554 85
“ insurance,	36 65
“ remittance on tax of 1892,	87 23
“ District Court expenses,	336 78
“ State Tax,	962 50
“ County Tax,	1,176 65
“ borrowed money,	9,500 00
“ balance in treasury,	7,344 30
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	\$42,120 98

J. P. HEWINS,
Treasurer.

COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1891.

Balance due Jan. 1, 1892,	\$4,842 01
Added since took book,	33 93
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	\$4,875 94
Paid J. P. Hewins :	
Cash and abatements,	\$4,841 04
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Balance due,	\$34 90

1892.

Amount committed for collection,	\$15,271 91
Paid J. P. Hewins,	9,064 16
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Balance due Jan. 1, 1893,	\$6,207 75
	DEXTER PACKARD, <i>Collector.</i>

DOG ACCOUNT.

No. of Males licensed.....	168
No. of Females licensed,.....	20
Dogs Registered from other towns.....	7
GEO. H. WHITTEMORE.—	

TO TREASURER NO. CO., DR.

1892.	
March 7, Received from Joel P. Hewins,	\$ 6 00
June 1, “ for licenses,	151 00
Dec. 1, “ “	279 00
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	\$436 00
	CR.
Less Fees and return,	40 00
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	\$396 00
Amount returned for which I hold receipts,	\$396 00

AUDITORS' REPORT.

SHARON, MASS., FEBRUARY 20th, 1893.

TO THE TOWN OF SHARON.—

We hereby certify that we have examined the books and accounts of all officers and committees of the Town of Sharon entrusted with the receipt, custody or expenditure of money, and all original bills and vouchers on which moneys have been paid from the treasury of this town, for the year ending December 31, 1892; and we hereby report that we have found such books, accounts, etc. to have been correctly kept.

TIMOTHY F. QUINN,
ELMER E. MARSHALL,
ELMER E. NARAMORE,
Auditors of the Town of Sharon.

TOWN OF SHARON, VITAL STATISTICS, 1892.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sep.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Prev. Yrs.	Total.
Births.....	1	1	3	0	2	1	2	3	1	1	2	4	9	30
Marriage Intentions...	0	1	2	1	0	4	1	2	0	2	0	1		14
Marriages.....	0	1	1	2	1	3	2	3	1	2	0	1		17
Deaths.....	8	1	3	2	9	8	6	10	7	5	4	3		66

DEATHS.	AGES.	BIRTHS.	MARRIAGES.
Males, - - 28	Ave of Males, 46-2	Males, - - 20	Males Native Sharon, 5
Females, - 38	" Females, 41-5	Females, - - 10	" " U. S. 8
Residents, - - 30	Under 1 year, 14	Birthplaces of Fathers,	" Foreign, 4
Non Residents, 36	From 1 to 5 yrs., 7	Sharon, 7	Females Native Sharon, 4
Natives Sharon, 14	" 20 to 40 " 11	U. S., 10	" " U. S. 9
Natives U. S. 40	" 40 to 60 " 4	Foreign, 13	" Foreign, 4
Foreign, - - 10	" 60 to 70 " 9	Birthplaces of Mothers,	First Marriage, - 15
Unknown, - 2	" 70 to 80 " 12	Sharon, 3	Second " - - 2
*Sign in column of Deaths denotes Non-Residents.	" 80 to 90 " 7	U. S., 12	Ave. Age Males, 28-8
	Over 90 years, 1	Foreign, 15	" " Females, 27-1

BIRTHS

REGISTERED 1892, FOR PREVIOUS YEARS.

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- Jan. 27, 1887, Samuel Edward, son to Edward J. and S. Viola Fuller.
 June 18, 1889, George Victor, son to Walter J. and Mary J. Roach.
 Sept. 6, 1890, Chester Robert, son to Samuel and Eliza Hiles.
 Mar. 30, 1891, George Osborne, son to Patrick H. and Maria C. Mansfield.
 Mar. 16, " Henry Stanly, son to Henry A. and Elizabeth C. Tam-
 blyn.
 May 13, " William Henry, son to Walter J. and Mary J. Roach.
 Sept. 14, " Arthur Caswell, son to Elbridge G. and Nellie A. Har-
 wood.
 Dec. 4, " Arthur Pope, son to Horace S. and Annie M. Shepard.
 Dec. 27, " Ella, daughter to Thomas P. and Anna J. Maguire.
 Jan. 1, 1892, John, son to John and Mary Jones.
 Feb. 22, " John Edwin, son to Frank and Selma D. Peterson.
 Mar. 3, " Eric William, son to Frederick and Hulda E. Anderson.
 Mar. 18, " Henry Jarvis, son to Edward J. and S. Viola Fuller.
 Mar. 18, " William Henry, son to Michael and Mary A. Downey.
 May 6, " M. Ruth, daughter to Timothy F. and Elizabeth L. Quinn.
 May 21, " John, son to Thomas and Ellen Regan.
 June 4, " Arthur Stilman, son to Warren C. and Nellie A. Morse.
 July 9, " ——— daughter to John P. and Minnie Webber, Boston.
 July 24, " Maynard Leslie, son to Albert A. and Mary I. Carpenter.
 Aug. 10, " Neils Frederic, son to Julius and Marie Jensen.
 Aug. 27, " Christina Steinkamp, daughter to Jacob and Margaretta
 Geissler.
 Aug. 27, " Allen Waldron, son to Frank D. and Louisa W. Hoyt.
 Sept. 24, " Esther Beatrice, daughter to William and Elizabeth B.
 Peach.
 Oct. 23, " Nellie, daughter to Timothy and Julia O'Leary.
 Nov. 1, " Lottie Marjori, daughter to John H. and Elvira Larnard.
 Nov. 28, " Arthur Martin, son to Carl and Mabel Swanson.
 Dec. 1, " Francis Stephen Joseph, son to Francis P. and Marie L.
 Boler.
 Dec. 7, " Edna Frances, daughter to Edgar F. and Eliza J. W.
 Drake.
 Dec. 14, " Marion Gertrude, daughter to Thomas N. and Sarah E.
 Prue.
 Dec. 30, " ——— daughter to A. Olin and Alice Cleveland.

20 Males, 10 Females.

MARRIAGES IN 1892.

Date.		Residence.	Birthplace.
Feb. 3.	Adin I. Goodspeed,	Winchendon,	Winchendon, Me.
	Fannie L. (Berg) Ward,	Sharon,	Newark, N. J.
Mar. 26.	George McMillen,	Sharon,	Sharon.
	Flora Thornton,	"	Charlestown, P. I. E.
Apr. 5.	Elmer Ellsworth Farnham,	"	East Saugus.
	Mary Ann Willsted,	"	Isle Guernsey, Eng.
Apr. 23.	John E. Tiffany,	Warwick, R. I.	Warwick, R. I.
	Luthera May Maxwell,	Sharon,	Fitchburg.
May 5.	Hugh J. McLean,	Sharon,	Frederickton, N. S.
	Isabella McMillen,	"	Sharon.
June 2.	Jeremiah O'Leary,	Sharon,	Sharon.
	Julia Herlihy,	Boston,	Ireland.
June 9.	Frank Penney,	Foxborough,	Foxborough.
	Charlotte Annie Brooks,	Sharon,	Sharon.
June 29.	James U. Cranton,	Sharon,	Cape Breton, N. S.
	Carrie M. Leeman,	Canton,	Canton.
July 13.	Edwin P. Davis,	Sharon,	Waterville, Me.
	Mary Frances Holbrook,	"	So. Braintree.
July 15.	Ernest Clinton Boyden,	Sharon,	Sharon.
	Lillie M. Randolph,	"	Malden.
Aug. 8.	John S. Kilby,	Boston,	Somerville.
	Ella M. Stevens,	"	Hardwick, Vt.
Aug. 8.	Frank B. Andrews,	Sharon,	Plainville, N. H.
	Hattie M. Harwood,	"	Sharon.
Aug. 21.	George G. Currier,	Sharon,	E. Concord, N. H.
	Emily A. (Hall) Wiswell,	"	Boston.
Sept. 10.	Charles Edward Brymer,	Sharon,	Nova Scotia.
	Alice Levina McDonald,	"	Boston.
Oct. 7.	Frank White,	Sharon,	Cape Breton, N. S.
	Christina McCloud,	"	Charlottetown, P. E. I.
Oct. 27.	Albert E. Godfrey,	Sharon,	Sharon.
	Sarah R. Crosby,	Boston,	Dedham.
Dec. 25.	Alvin Dexter Packard,	Sharon,	Sharon.
	Maria Karoline Deeg,	"	"

Whole number registered, 17.

" " intentions. 14.

DEATHS

REGISTERED IN 1892.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			DISEASE.	WHERE BURIED.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Y.	M.	D.			
Jan. 3	*Benjamin Bixby	79	3		Apoplexy	Topsfield	Linebrook
Jan. 6	John Jones			6	Infantile	E. Foxboro	Sharon
Jan. 9	*Helen Maher	73	4	25	Gen'l Debility	Dorchester	Ireland
Jan. 10	Esther E. Mann	56	9	9	Apoplexy	Cambridge	Boston
Jan. 20	James Blackman	75	1		LaGrippe	Canton	Dorchester
Jan. 20	William Taunt	78	1	17	Pneumonia	Canton	Canton
Jan. 23	Martha H. Taunt	70	7		LaGrippe	Stoughton	Stoughton
Feb. 16	*Nellie Fairbanks	23			Consumption	Sharon	Nova Scotia
March 10	James Downey	75			Gen'l Debility	Stoughton	Ireland
March 12	Shepard Carpenter	67	8	6	"	Sharon	Sharon
April 6	Eliza P. Hixon	76			Paresis	Sharon	Sharon
April 12	Charles D. Hixon	74	0	13	Pneumonia	Sharon	Sharon
May 2	*Mariette W. Arnold	70	11	29	Heart Disease	Bangor, Me.	Barre
May 3	*Fanny L. Barrett	32	0	3	Cat'h of Bowels	Springfield	Ohio
May 5	*Marga't G. Heddrig		6	10	Infla. of Bowels	Easton	Sharon
May 6	Helen Smith	67	9		Inanition	Sharon	Scotland
May 8	Fred R. Long	1	10	20	Bronchitis	Sharon	Sharon
May 9	Warren M. Holmes	81	5	27	Gastric Ulcers	Sharon	Sharon
May 17	Charles Beal	70			Heart Failure	Brockton	Hingham
May 24	*Susannah Green	86	11	25	Old Age	Shelburne N.H.	Maine
May 24	*Daniel A. Fuller	24	10	24	Consumption	Sharon	Canton
June 7	*Armanda E. Simps'n	28	7	26	Heart Failure	Nova Scotia	Nova Scotia
June 11	Nellie A. Morse	31	5	5	Apoplexia	Sharon	Bridgewater
June 13	*Martha R. Taylor	82	3		Gastertis	Ashby	Milford
June 17	Carrie F. Trask	1	6	25	Tumor of Brain	Stoughton	Braintree
June 26	Howard P. Cobb	2	8	2	Membra. Croup	Sharon	Sharon
June 27	*Mary Prescott		3		Chol. Infantum	Canton	Boston
July 4	Frederic Seaver	10	16		Hydrocephalus	Cambridge	Boston
July 9	*John M. Butterfield	73	10	14	{ Heart Dis. } { Senile Deb. }	Boston	Maine
July 16	Duncan Campbell	57			Mortification	Sharon	Canada
July 18	Lizzie J. Holmes	33	7		Phthisis	Boston	Maine
July 27	*Catherine Sharon	56			Intersusception of Bowels	Stoughton	Ireland
July 31	*Ruth Thompson	1	3		Chol. Infantum	Canton	Unknown
August 6	*Marietta Field	69	4	7	Uraemia	Newton	N. H.
August 12	*Marg't Fendendum		6		Chol. Infantum	Canton	Boston
August 13	*Henry Williams		2		Infantile	Stoughton	Unknown
August 16	*Rebecca Smith		9		Chol. Infantum	Canton	Boston
August 23	*Francis Kenney		3	2	Heart Disease	Canton	Boston
August 23	*Annie A. Chamb'r'l'n	23	5		Consumption	Salem	Boston
August 24	Bridget McManus	73	3		Pericarditis	Canton	Ireland
August 25	Mary T. Doyle	15	9		Consumption	Stoughton	Plymouth
August 28	*Catherine A. Gargan	40			Apoplexy	Woburn	Boston
August 30	*Clarissa Capen	90	3		Old Age	Boston	Boston
Sept. 1	*Ellen McLaughlin		5		Infantile	Canton	Lynn
Sept. 11	*Edward Hewitson	44		7	Angina Pectoris	Wollaston	England
Sept. 14	Jesse McIntosh	78	5		Old Age	Sharon	Sharon
Sept. 15	Annie C. Carpenter	16	3		Typhoid Fever	Sharon	Sharon
Sept. 21	Lewis N. Holmes	46		5	Consumption	Sharon	Sharon
Sept. 26	*Francis J. Dacy		4	21	Marasmus	Canton	Boston
Sept. 29	*Frank DeWolf		4		Marasmus	Canton	Lynn
Oct. 6	William C. Myrick	57	11		Heart Disease	Sharon	Myricksville
Oct. 16	Frances P. Chute	52	4	14	Bright's Dis.	Sharon	Maine
Oct. 19	Viola A. Marshall	31			Phthisis	Sharon	E. Boston
Oct. 21	*Lizzie Carroll		2		Infantile	Canton	Boston
Oct. 31	*Minnie Johnson	1	2		Ulcer of Bowels	Canton	Boston
Nov. 2	Maggie Doyle	25	1	25	Consumption	Stoughton	Plymouth
Nov. 6	George F. Howard	73		5	Pneumonia	Foxboro	Sharon
Nov. 6	*Ellen O'Connor	1			Consumption	Canton	Boston
Nov. 13	Wm. McLean	4			R. R. Accident	Sharon	Frammingham
Dec. 26	*John W. Leary	30	9		Consumption	Canton	Sharon

FROM ABROAD.

DATE.	NAME.	AGE.			DISEASE.	PLACE OF DEATH.	BIRTHPLACE.
		Yrs.	Mos.	Days.			
Jan. 14	Jarvis Pettee	81		14	Old Age	Stoughton	Sharon
March 6	Susan B. Knight	49		18	Rheumatism	New York	Maine
June 10	Perrie Britton			11	Infantile	Canton	Canton
June 28	Mary McMillen			10	Infantile	Mansfield	Mansfield
Dec. 3	James P. Weenar	88	10	14	Heart Disease	Mansfield	Maine
Dec. 14	Marga't J. Mackay	90	7	10	Paralysis	Boston	Nova Scotia

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

I was appointed by the Selectmen in October, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of C. A. Hixson, and soon found that, by other resignations, I was alone.

I have to report only one alleged nuisance, the abatement of which was amicably secured, to the satisfaction of all parties, as far as I know.

The number of deaths in town for the past year, and the causes thereof, are given in the Town Clerk's report, making unnecessary a repetition in this report.

H. L. NARAMORE.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

OF THE

PUBLIC LIBRARY,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

The Sharon Public Library still continues its flourishing condition. 988 more books were loaned during 1892 than during the previous year, showing, apparently, no diminution in interest.

The same method in its management has been maintained, which seems highly satisfactory.

Donations of books have been received from Miss Elizabeth Morse, Mrs. H. A. Lothrop, Mr. T. F. Quinn, and Mr. J. P. Hewins.

The librarian's report is as follows :

Whole number of volumes,	3,818
Accessions during the year,	273
Number of volumes loaned,	9,730
Agriculture,	70
Biography,	253
Fiction,	5,674
History,	405
Juvenile,	1,965
Language and Literature,	848
Science and Arts,	223
Travel and Description,	290
Amount received for catalogues,	\$3 25
“ “ “ fines,	39 67
Total,	\$42 92
Signed for the Trustees,	

E. R. HARPER, *Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

DR.

To balance in the treasury, Dec. 31, 1892,	\$19 97
“ amount of dog licenses for 1891,	309 00
“ Library fines,	35 00
“ interest from the Perkins' bequest,	25 00
“ “ “ “ Drake bequest,	15 00
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	\$403 97

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Paid as per Library bills,	\$364 80
Balance,	39 17
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	\$403 97

J. P. HEWINS,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF ENGINEERS
OF THE
SHARON FIRE DEPARTMENT,
FOR 1892.

To the Board of Selectmen.

GENTLEMEN :

The work of the department for the past year has been as follows :

May 29, Brush fire on Moose Hill.

June 8, Brush fire on Beaver-hole meadow.

June 12, House and barn, owned by John J. Shaw, Moose Hill.

July 8, Barn, owned by Mrs. Fanny Holbrook, Depot St.

July 15, Barn, owned by Mrs. L. Morse, Sharon Heights.

Sept. 8, Catholic Church shed, Pond St.

Oct. 21 and 22, Brush fires back of depot.

Nov. 21, Barn owned by H. G. Hixon, Main St.

The property is in good order. During the year 500 ft. of new hose has been added.

Engineers,	{	F. L. HOLBROOK, Chief, W. H. DELANO, 2nd Ass't, G. H. MANN, 1st Ass't & Clerk.
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December 31, 1892.

TOWN SEAL.

To the Selectmen of Sharon :

I propose to place upon the corporate Seal of the Town of Sharon, the following symbolical devices : First, copies of natural scenery in the town viewed in the distance ; secondly, emblems of incidents in the history of the town, that shall characterize the individuality of the town as you would describe it in words. First, in the left quarter of the shield is the outline of Moose Hill, the highest elevation of land between Boston and Providence ; from the summit a beautiful view of the surrounding country can be obtained. In the field of the shield is represented our beautiful pond, Massapoag, surrounded by lovely groves. Secondly, in the right quarter of the shield, is seen the gunhouse of the Sharon Artillery Company. This is the ancient organization that elected Elijah Billings Captain in 1781, and used the old gunhouse for an armory for nearly fifty years. The location was the spot on which the Rev. Mr. Manchester's house is now located. Many prominent men of this town were elected to the office of Captain of this company.

For a crest for our seal I have chosen two cannons crossed upon a pile of cannon balls, a patriotic emblem of an industry established in this town before the Revolution, by Edmund Quincy and Col. Richard Gridley, who cast the first cannon ever made in America.

There were piles of cannon balls at the furnace in the south part of the town in 1775, that were ordered to be distributed to other towns, and a company of Matrosses was ordered for the protection of the works by the Committee of Safety for the Province of Massachusetts Bay, before the battle of Lexington.

Surrounding the shield is a belt, buckled and knotted at the base, bearing the date of 2d Precinct 1740, which was the ecclesiastical separation from the Mother town, and the date of 1765, which was the political separation when Sharon became a corporate town.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

SOLOMON TALBOT.

SHARON, Feb. 1, 1893.

REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE
OF THE
TOWN OF SHARON,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

C. FRANK ALLEN, <i>Chairman</i> ,	LORING M. MONK, <i>Secretary</i> ,
H. L. NARAMORE,	SILAS POOLE,
ARTHUR D. COLBURN,	EMMA A. BAKER.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:

EDWARD P. FITTS.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

It is proper that an annual report should be made to the citizens of every town showing in what manner the interests of the town have been cared for by those to whom they were entrusted. The laws of Massachusetts require such a report from certain of its officers, and in accordance with this law your School Committee is pleased to present its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1892.

SUPERINTENDENCY.

During the past year, the union for the purpose of employing a superintendent has been continued, Mansfield, Stoughton and Sharon being the towns forming the union. Under the provisions of the law touching this matter, the State contributes in aid of the schools of these three towns the sum of \$1,000, of which \$500 is to be applied to the superintendent's salary and \$500 for teachers' salaries. Entire harmony has prevailed in the relations between the towns composing the union. Our second Annual Meeting was held in Sharon, and at this meeting Mr. E. P. Fitts was unanimously re-elected as superintendent. Our experience with the system of joint superintendency has been such that we can give it our hearty approval. Mr. Fitts as superintendent has given us thorough satisfaction.

SCHOOLS.

During the year the number of schools has been increased from seven to eight, and these are as follows : — High, Grammar, Intermediate, and Primary Schools in the Center School-house ; and the North, East, South, and West, district schools. Some changes have been made in the school districts, and certain scholars who formerly attended the East School are now to be found at the Center School. In the opinion of your committee the change is of advantage to the scholars transferred, and also to both the teacher and the scholars at the East School.

DEDICATION OF THE CENTER SCHOOLHOUSE.

On April 2d the Center Schoolhouse was re-dedicated. Arrangements for this purpose were made under the joint direction of the Building Committee and the School Committee. There was a large attendance of the people on this occasion.

The exercises were opened out of doors by the presentation of a handsome flag, the gift of the scholars of the town. The flag was presented by Miss Faith Goddard, on behalf of the scholars, and received by Mr. H. L. Naramore, on behalf of the School Committee. There followed singing by the scholars, and a reading by Miss Ada M. Barker. Within the schoolhouse the dedicatory exercises were conducted by Rev. G. F. Stanton as the presiding officer, and were opened by prayer by the Rev. Horace Parker ; formal addresses of presentation and acceptance were made by D. W. Pettee of the Building Committee ; by G. H. Hixon, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and by the Chairman of the School Committee. Addresses were also made by J. T. Prince of the State Board of Education, by Sanford Waters Billings, by Rev. Rodney Walsh, Rev. Father Kiley, Rev. E. F. Osborne, and Rev. Horace Parker.

The exercises were interspersed with singing by the scholars under the direction of Geo. Leonard.

The completion of the Center Schoolhouse has resulted in great advantage to both teachers and scholars. The rooms are well heated, well ventilated, and well furnished, and the building is well cared for. The conditions are such that a teacher can be expected to do

better work, and the scholars can study better, than was possible under the inferior conditions previously prevailing. In each room there is a separate desk for each scholar; an arrangement that is far better as regards school discipline, as well as from a sanitary standpoint. In refurnishing the rooms, new desk tops were provided throughout. Old seats and iron standards for the desks were used so far as they were suitable, and with appreciable economy.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION.

The exercises of graduation were held on the thirtieth of June last, at the Town Hall, and were as shown in the report of our Superintendent, which also gives the list of graduates.

Public exercises were also held at the Town Hall on Columbus Day, Friday, October 21, 1892, when the following programme was presented:—

COLUMBUS DAY EXERCISES,

TOWN HALL, SHARON,

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21, 1892.

MARCH.

READING OF PROCLAMATION.

SALUTE TO FLAG.

SINGING,—“America.”

PRAYER,	-	-	-	-	-	Rev. H. Parker
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SINGING,—“Columbus Day.”

ADDRESS,	-	-	-	-	-	O. J. Billings
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ODE,	-	-	-	-	-	Effie C. Beecher
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SINGING,—“Columbia Hail.”

RECITATIONS,	-	-	-	-	-	Pupils
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SINGING,—“God Omnipotent.”

RECITATIONS,	-	-	-	-	-	Pupils
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DOXOLOGY.

The audience are invited to join in the singing of America and the Doxology.

TEACHERS.

The teachers employed in the schools at the close of the year were as follows :—

HIGH,
MISS GRACIA E. REED.
GRAMMAR,
MISS IRENE E. HATHAWAY.
INTERMEDIATE,
MISS MARY I. KILBURN.
PRIMARY,
MISS ELIZABETH R. HANLON.
NORTH,
MISS CARRIE P. LEAVITT.
EAST,
MISS MARY A. LEARY.
SOUTH.
MISS AIMEE J. HOWARD.
WEST.
MISS M. GENIEVE HOLDEN.
MUSIC, (in all schools)
MRS. ELIZABETH M. COOK.

During the term ending July 1st, the West School was under the charge of Miss Hanlon, who was then transferred to the Primary School, her place being taken by Miss Isabel Bassett, who resigned at the close of the term ending July 1st, and was succeeded by Miss M. Genieve Holden.

During several weeks at the beginning of the fall term, Miss Hathaway was seriously ill, and the Grammar School was taught by Miss Lucy J. Blackman. Your committee is glad to report so few changes among the teachers.

The small number of scholars, and the still smaller attendance at the North School, have led your committee to consider the advisability of doing away with the North School for the present, at any rate, and a recommendation is therefore made that this school be discontinued and an appropriation made for the transportation of scholars to the Centre Schoolhouse. School funds are not available

for payment of transportation, and a failure to make a special appropriation for transportation of the scholars would defeat the change proposed. Your committee is aware that there is opportunity for a difference of opinion as to the advisability of making this change, and are willing to submit it to the vote of the people in this way. Your committee, however, strongly recommends although not unanimously, that the North School be discontinued and the scholars furnished transportation to the Center Schoolhouse.

Little in the way of extensive repairs has been made on the school-houses. The North School, if continued, will require some important repairs. The East School has been provided with a "jacketed stove," and the room is better heated and better ventilated in consequence. Whenever renewals of stoves become necessary, it is proper that the stoves furnished should be of this class.

APPROPRIATIONS.

There will be required for the coming year appropriations, as follows:—

For salaries, care of buildings, fuel, . . .	\$3,800 00
For the support of superintendent, . . .	200 00
For text books and supplies, . . .	400 00
For repairs and incidentals, . . .	300 00

If transportation of scholars from the North School shall be provided for, the item for salaries can be decreased.

The financial report of the receipts and expenditures of the School Committee is hereto appended, as is also the report of the superintendent, and of the teacher of music, which are hereby made a part of the report of this Committee.

CONCLUSION.

In conclusion, your committee believe that the schools continue to show a steady improvement. The good work done this year makes possible better work next year. Our teachers are doing faithful, earnest, and intelligent work, and they are organized and directed

by a thoroughly competent and thoroughly faithful superintendent.
Each year is expected to show a gain in efficiency over the preceding.

C. FRANK ALLEN,
LORING M. MONK,
SILAS POOLE,
EMMA A. BAKER,
ARTHUR D. COLBURN.

I approve of all except what relates to closing North School.

H. L. NARAMORE.

Feb. 8, 1893.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE,

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1892.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1, 1892,	\$563 26
Received from State School fund,	156 36
“ “ Sharon Friend School fund,	141 60
“ “ Dorchester and Surplus Revenue fund	153 00
“ for Appropriation for Support of Schools,	3,700 00
“ from the joint School Committee,	183 83
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	\$4,898 05

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Gracia E. Reed, teacher,	\$630 00
“ Mary I. Kilborn, “	450 00
“ Lizzie R. Hanlon, “	348 00
“ Carrie P. Leavitt, “	252 00
“ Irene E. Hathaway, “	341 00
“ Mary A. Leary, “	272 00
“ Isabelle Bassett, “	96 00
“ M. J. Holden, “	128 00
“ Aimee J. Howard, “	224 00
“ E. P. Fitts, Superintendent of Schools,	247 50
“ Mr. Downie, music,	6 00
“ E. M. Cook, music teacher,	38 80
“ Care of school rooms,	166 50
“ Rent of school rooms,	283 00

Paid Wood furnished,	80 06
“ Tuition at Easton schools,	18 00
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	\$3,580 86
Balance Jan. 1, 1893,	1,317 19
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	\$4,898 05

TEXT BOOKS AND SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1, 1892,	\$254 45
Appropriation,	750 00
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	\$1,004 45

EXPENDITURES.

Paid,	\$717 34
Balance Jan. 1, 1893,	287 11
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	\$1,004 45

REPAIRS AND INCIDENTALS.

RECEIPTS.

Balance Jan. 1, 1892,	\$204 92
Appropriation,	300 00
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	\$504 92

EXPENDITURES.

Paid,	\$272 81
Balance Jan. 1, 1893,	232 11
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	\$504 92

Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF SHARON:—

In making to you my second report, the condition of things is so different from what it was a year ago that it seems appropriate to call your attention at the very outset, to the vastly improved facilities for work which we have had during the past year. We mention with special gratitude the new school building at the Center, with its good ventilation, abundant light, and many conveniences that we so much needed. We appreciate the materials that have been furnished for the commencement of a systematic study of drawing. Music has taken an important place in our course of study and with a special teacher we are making marked progress which we will consider more in detail. With these especially favorable conditions which place us in line with the best schools in the State, we hope to show you that we have improved the opportunities for successful labor which have been so generously provided.

STATISTICS.

Number enrolled during the year,	.	.	.	.	325
Increase over last year,	.	.	.	.	33
Average membership,	.	.	.	.	236
Increase,	.	.	.	.	19
Average attendance,	.	.	.	.	206
Increase,	.	.	.	.	11
Number attending between five and fifteen,	.	.	.	.	298
Number attending between eight and fourteen,	.	.	.	.	190
Number over fifteen,	.	.	.	.	27
Number under five,	.	.	.	.	0

By schools	Av. membership	Av. Attendance
High,	22.1	20.4
Grammar,	35.08	31.46
Intermediate,	40.7	37.5
Primary,	44.82	40.1
North,	23.1	15.4
East,	32.7	29.3
South,	11.38	8.95
West,	26.1	22.75

TABLE SHOWING GRADES AND NUMBER IN EACH
DEC. 1892.

SCHOOL.	—GRADE.—											Total
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Grammar							21	6	*9			36
Intermediate				15	8	11						34
Primary	12	19	20									51
North		3	2	2		3		3				13
East	2	1	3	7		2	6					21
South				2	1		3	5				11
West	5	3	9			9		5				31
High										10	9	19
Total	19	26	34	26	9	25	30	19	9	10	9	216

*Also in the High School.

Certain problems are presented by these statistics which are worthy of careful attention. What has become of the eighty-nine more enrolled than appear in the number of average membership? A few have graduated from school, some have been detained at home by reason of sickness, a larger number have doubtless removed from town, but it appears that a large number are compelled by necessity or prefer from choice to leave school. There is great encouragement, however, in the fact that with losses there has been a marked

growth since last year in every particular, and especially to be noted in the attendance of those who are required to attend by law and of those beyond school age. These remarks apply to the town as a whole. In some schools the attendance might be greatly improved if parents and those having charge of the children would realize how much is lost by absence. So poor has been the attendance at the North School on many of my visits, which must be admitted have not always been on pleasant days, it has seemed that it would be more profitable to hire conveyance to take the children from their homes and carry them to the Center School. This plan has serious objections but it has proved a success in many places, ensuring much better attendance and at less expense for better school privileges.

It will be noticed in the table of grades that there is a dearth of scholars in the fifth, while the other grades are nearly evenly divided. Perhaps you would favor enlarging this grade by double promotion but not so as to destroy the grade, which is especially needed in the Center School.

With no class to graduate from the High School next summer, there will be the problem of three full grades and one class in Latin from the High-grammar School to teach in this school, beginning in September. This will necessitate shortening the recitations very much or resorting to alternating them, but there seems to be no great obstacle to the accomplishment of satisfactory work if all interested understand that it cannot be expected that a teacher can do in twenty-five minutes what requires forty to do completely. Had we a school two or three times as large, with the same number of classes, the work would not be much greater and every one will admit that at least two teachers would be needed in such a case.

A glance at the number in each grade will show that provision for more pupils at the Center was made none too soon. The Primary School with its fifty-one pupils, completely fills the room and should there be any great number to enter before the third grade is promoted in June, we shall be in a crowded condition and more seats will be needed. The other rooms have accommodations for present needs. The plan of having the ninth grade do the English work in the Grammar School and the Latin work in the High School

seems to meet our requirements. As was anticipated, it equalizes the labor in the upper grades and relieves the High School of some of the work which is usually done in Grammar Schools. That this plan is deemed satisfactory to both parents and pupils is proved from the fact that every pupil who was ready for promotion accepted the privileges offered.

TEACHERS.

We have to record but one change in our corps of teachers and that caused by a louder call from the city of Taunton, which caused Miss Isabel Bassett to resign her position at the West School. This is not because other places have not offered greater inducements, for we have teachers who have been sought by larger places at increased salaries, but it has been our good fortune to retain them and they deserve a public recognition of their fidelity to us.

The transfer of Miss Hanlon from the West school has proved a very satisfactory arrangement for us all. It has made it more convenient for her to reach her school and has permitted us to keep one of our best teachers. It does not always follow that, because a teacher succeeds well in one school, that she will prove a success in another under different conditions, but Miss Hanlon has proved her ability to manage a large school and put it among the first of the primary schools over which my supervision extends. She has accomplished this by the most economical use of her time, systematic methods of working, and rapidity of movement which are pleasant to witness.

The Grammar school was unfortunate in losing the services of Miss Hathaway for a period during the Fall term, but she is at her post again and the work is progressing very satisfactorily. Of the remaining teachers I need not speak, as their work is so well known or of so recent date as to call for no comments at this time.

Few realize what an advantage it is to have a good teacher retain her position year after year. She knows the failures and successes of her pupils; she knows what they have been taught and just what step to take next; she has the sympathy of the neighborhood in which she teaches, and she has confidence placed in her; she

knows what plans have been proposed by those having the school in charge, and is working out those plans with a clear understanding of what is required to be done. Such a teacher deserves the heartiest encouragement. All interested in the schools know that to secure good results, a teacher must spend many hours in preparation for each day's duties ; must be constantly on the lookout for new events in order to keep up with the times ; must keep her physical being in proper condition to control and direct the many restless children placed under her care. My feeling is that in the main our teachers do have sympathy and co-operation, and that by means of these our schools are constantly improving.

PATRIOTISM.

Never was there a year in which the attention of the schools has been called to the subject of patriotism as during the past year, in preparation for the celebration of Columbus Day. Sharon schools entered into the spirit of the occasion in good earnest. We appreciated the services of the special teacher in music in the local celebration, as well as the help furnished by interested parents and friends. As one result of these efforts, means have been provided so that the national flag shall float over every school in town but one and we trust that will not be long in following the good example set by the others. The interest in securing money for the flags and in having them raised upon suitable poles, has been one of the most gratifying features. Some may pass by and say that a more graceful pole might have been provided, but to me the roughest pole raised by pupil hands shows a spirit which makes one believe that our country is safe in such hands. Let us continually pledge allegiance to our flag and the Republic for which it stands, one nation undivisible with liberty and justice for all.

DRAWING.

In the absence of any regular teacher in drawing, we have to depend upon the native and acquired talent of our regular teachers. So common is this branch of study in the public schools, and so generally considered as a study of practical utility in an educational

point of view, that there is no need of enlarging upon the necessity of its being taught. As a means of training the eye and hand, of stimulating thought, of cultivating the originaive faculty, and of refining the taste, its value is everywhere recognized. In the absence of any printed schedule, allow me to suggest a course which seems adapted to our present needs. To carry out this plan will necessitate the purchasing of models when the appropriation will admit.

SUGGESTIONS.

1. Study the object to be drawn as the foundation of all work, so that the child will draw what he actually sees.
2. Pay particular attention to the position of body, pencil and book especially, at the beginning of the study, so that right habits may be permanently fixed.
3. Let the teacher thoroughly prepare each lesson so as to teach definitely and to create interest in the subject taught.
4. Save such specimens of work as have peculiar merit, with the name of the child attached, as an incentive to better work.

GRADES ONE AND TWO.

Study type forms, modelling, tablet and splint laying, drawing etc., as laid out in Prang's "Use of Models." Each lesson should not exceed fifteen minutes, and the children should give their answers in complete statements.

Beginning with the third grade use Prang's Complete Course, Book I; fourth grade, Book II; fifth grade, Book III; sixth grade, Book IV; seventh grade, Book V; eighth grade, Book VI; ninth grade, Book VII; tenth grade, Book VIII; eleventh grade, Book IX; twelfth grade, Book X.

MUSIC.

We have not been studying this branch long enough to be very proficient in music, but we are convinced that a good foundation is being laid. All the schools in town from the High School down to the Primary, start at the beginning of the subject. The older pupils

make more rapid advancement, but no better work is being done anywhere than in the Primary School. One who listens to the singing must be convinced that Sharon has good material to work upon and from expressions heard from parents the introduction of the subject meets with their hearty approval. It gives me great pleasure to make mention of the great interest taken in the subject in the rural schools. With so few pupils that one might be led to think there could be no interest created, they have shown wonderful enthusiasm.

As the special teacher is able to reach the Center schools only once in two weeks and the other schools only once a month, most of the drill work devolves upon the teachers, and they have responded with evident good will. The High School has secured an instrument to help them, and there seems to be a disposition on the part of all the teachers to prepare themselves in the best manner to make music a success.

The appended report is an outline of what has been accomplished in music in the schools of Sharon, from May 1st, 1892, to the end of the fall term.

The material furnished is adequate to the needs of the schools at present, but more will be necessary in the upper grades before the close of the ensuing year.

In the outlying schools the work varies, as the teacher is greatly hindered by having so many grades in a room. Nevertheless, excellent results have been obtained in some of these schools, and we sometimes find the best singing even in the smallest of them.

As a stranger I first visited your schools, and I soon found that Sharon is a musical town. The hearty co-operation of the teachers, combined with the marked natural ability of the scholars, have made the work pleasant and the results gratifying, notwithstanding the imperfect gradings of the schools. The following is my report and plan of visits :

MUSIC REPORT.

PRIMARY.

Rote singing ; scale intervals, oral and written ; notes and rests,

long and short; measures, bar and double bar; time and time names; primary staff notation through eight pages of First National Music Chart.

INTERMEDIATE.

Scale intervals, oral and written; notes and rests, long and short; measures, bar and double bar; time and time names; staff notation through upper, middle and lower scales, to page thirteen of Second National Music Chart.

GRAMMAR AND HIGH.

Scale intervals, oral and written; notes and rests, long and short; measures, bar and double bar; time and time names; staff notation and elementary two-part singing through the first half of Second National Music Chart; Major scale of C.

PLAN OF VISITS.

Wednesday, A. M.—East School, 9.10–9.40; Center Primary School, 10–10.30; Center Intermediate School, 11–11.30; Grammar and High Schools, 11.30–12.

Wednesday, P. M.—East School, 1.10–1.40.

Wednesday, A. M.—Center Primary School, 9.10–9.40; Center Intermediate School, 9.40–10.10; Grammar and High Schools, 10.15–10.30, 10.45–11; North School, 11.30–12.

Wednesday, P. M.—West School, 1.10–1.40.

ELIZABETH M. COOK,
Supervisor of Music.

ELEMENTARY SCIENCE.

We have been trying to create an interest in the objects about us and that we have not wholly failed is proved by the specimens of plants, minerals and birds' nests which are to be seen in many of the school-rooms. From the reports of work done in the several schools I cull the following: "Oral instruction on plants, fruits and

animals." In another school, "Oral instruction in Botany, (roots, leaves, fruits; animals, butterfly, frog, dog, bird.)" In another, "Lessons on leaves by observation, on spiders and birds' nests in the same way." Still another, "The children have learned all they could of the habits of animals which were mentioned in any of their lessons." It is not so much the facts which they learn, though these are valuable, that make these lessons of most importance. We deem the habit formed of observing for one's self the common things which lie all around us the greatest boon that can come from this study. Facts at first hand are worth much and we wish to have our pupils well supplied with them.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Not because this school is any more important than the others, but because it is the crown of the school course towards which all the lower grades lead we deem it fitting to say a few words. The number in the High School is small, but considering the size of the town it compares favorably with other towns of my acquaintance. In quality of work it is to be placed with the best. Few places are doing the amount of work along the lines we are following. It would be exceedingly gratifying if more work in science could be done, but it is impossible with only one teacher to take up every branch which is considered legitimate High School work. Following is the Course of Study adopted by the Committee, and it is placed here as a convenience for reference as well as for the purpose of making known what we are doing.

The following is the programme of the graduation exercises:

GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE CLASS OF '92,

THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE 30.

Fortiter, Fideliter, Feliciter.

PROGRAMME.

OVERTURE AND MARCH, - - - - - ORCHESTRA

SALUTATORY AND ESSAY, - - - - - CARRIE E. JOHNSON
Incentives to Labor.ESSAY, - - - - - FRANCES J. CALLAN
Contentment Hinders Progress.RECITATION, - - - - - SADIE H. HAMILTON
"De Rochambeau and the Rose."

ORCHESTRA.

RECITATION, - - - - - FRANCES J. CALLAN
"The Judgment Day."ESSAY, - - - - - SADIE H. HAMILTON
What Women Have Done.RECITATION, { a. "Spinning Wheel Song. ADA M. BARKER
b. "Slave's Lullaby."

ORCHESTRA.

SCENE FROM FRENCH PLAY, - - - - - CLASS
"Une Cartouche de Dynamite."

ORCHESTRA.

RECITATION, - - - - - CARRIE E. JOHNSON
"The Elevator."ESSAY WITH VALEDICTORY, - - - - - ADA M. BARKER
Row, not Drift.

Presentation of Diplomas.

SUPERINTENDENT E. P. FITTS.

CLASS ODE, - - - - - Words by Carrie E. Johnson

GRADUATES.

Ada Millicent Barker,	Frances Josephine Callan,
Sadie Harriet Hamilton,	Carrie Esther Johnson.

COURSE OF STUDY.

First Year :—

First Term,	Second Term.	Third Term.
English Grammar	English Grammar	English Grammar
Arithmetic	Arithmetic	Book-keeping
Latin	Latin	Latin

Second Year :—

General History	General History	Botany
Algebra	Algebra	Algebra
Latin	Latin	Latin

Third Year :—

Eng. Literature	Eng. Literature	Eng. Literature
Geometry	Geometry	Geometry
Latin	Latin	Latin

Fourth Year :—

Physics	Physics	Civics
French	French	French
Latin	Latin	Latin

ROLL OF HONOR.

NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR THE YEAR :

Grace Boyden, Willie Poole.

NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR TWO TERMS :

Ralph Pollard, Minnie Poole, Nellie Eaton.

NEITHER ABSENT NOR TARDY FOR ONE TERM :

Helen Monk,	Osmond Billings,	Mary Conley,
Martin Poole,	Philip Curtis,	Grace Hixon,
Mabel Johnson,	Edith Leonard,	Emma Holbrook,
Olive Hampton,	John McCartney,	Willie McCartney,
Phil Morton,	Arthur Boyden,	Elbert Morse,
Arthur Long,	Rodney Monk,	Nellie Stuart,
Ralph Crocker,	Clarence Robinson,	Marion Hixon,

(All from the Center School.)

NORTH SCHOOL,—George Wright.

EAST SCHOOL :

Annie Downey,	Thomas O'Leary,	Albert Hues,
Ethel Daler,	Mary Downey,	Susie Packard,
Fergus Conn,	Willie Conn,	Marion Burkett,
Lillie Downey,	Anna Neilson.	

SOUTH SCHOOL,—Granville Perkins.

CONCLUSION.

The work of the year past has been very much more satisfactory to me than that of my first year. Better surroundings for work, better grading, the introduction of new and important subjects into the schools, better understanding of the needs of the schools, your own exceedingly kind and hearty co-operation and that of all interested in the schools have combined to make my labors with you very pleasant, and my hearty thanks are tendered at this time for this peculiarly gratifying support.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. FITTS,

Sharon, Dec. 31, 1892.

Superintendent.

